



The Green Bin

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Happy Thanksgiving!

The City has been using automated trash and single stream recycling collections for over a year! We are continuing to see a reduction in trash tonnage and an increase in recycling tonnage. We have seen a reduction of almost 6,000T of trash as compared to when we had manual collections. That's a reduction of 22%. And recycling increased by 800 tons. Keep up the excellent work!

Yard Waste Collections end the week of December 6th, weather pending. Please place in paper yard waste bags or barrels labeled with "YARD WASTE ONLY" labels and put to the curb prior to 7am on your collection day. (Stickers available at City Hall Customer Service Center) Plastic bags are NOT accepted. [Click here](#) for more details.



Interested in composting at home? The City sells low-cost bins and provides how-to tips, [click here](#) for more information!

Have a Waste-Free Holiday! Did you know the holiday season is the most wasteful time of the year?



Waste created by the traditions of giving gifts, decorating our homes and entertaining guests leave staggering effects on our trash and recycling programs. During the holiday season, Massachusetts' residents produce about 25 percent more trash and use 5 percent more energy compared to any other time of year. This year practice your 3Rs (reduce, reuse and recycle) and enjoy a waste-free holiday season. [Click here for the waste-free holiday guide.](#)

Christmas Tree Collection The City of Newton will collect Christmas trees for recycling **only from January 3rd through January 14th, 2011 on your collection day.** Please place your undecorated Christmas tree out to the curb during this time. All decorations and lights must be removed and trees cannot be in a bag. [Click here for more information.](#)



Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving: No collection Thursday 11/25/10. Thursday and Friday routes will be one day delayed this week.

Week of 12/20/10: No schedule change.

Week of 12/27/10: No schedule change.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: No collection Monday 1/17/2011. Collection will be delayed one day this week.

Program Updates...

Bulky Items If you have oversized items that do not fit into your blue trash cart and they cannot be donated or reused, you can receive a free curbside pick up, limit is five (5) items per week. Please call DPW Customer Service by 3:30pm the business day BEFORE your collection day.

Appliance and Electronics Pick Up Please contact DPW Customer Service to schedule a free pick up. Or, you can bring appliances to the Recycling Depot. Computers, TVs and electronics MUST be collected curbside.



Helpful Links:

[Automated Program Questions](#)

[Single Stream Recycling Guidelines](#)

[The Recycling Depot at Rumford Ave](#)

[Recyclopedia—A-Z guide](#)

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